

MINUTES
UTAH PROFESSION ENGINEER AND
PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR
LICENSING BOARD
MEETING

May 21, 2008

Room 474 4th Floor 09:00 A.M.
Heber Wells Building
160 East 300 South
Salt Lake City, Utah

CONVENED	09:07 A.M.
ADJOURNED:	12:07 A.M.
DOPL STAFF	David Stanley, <i>Division Director</i> Ross Ford, <i>Associate Director</i> Dennis Meservy, <i>Bureau Manager</i> Wayne Holman, <i>Investigator Supervisor</i> Yvonne King, <i>Board Secretary</i> Susan Higgs, <i>Compliance</i>
BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT	Jonathon Richards Kim Harris, Gary Knighton Von Hill Norman Bennion
BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT	Charles Powell David Wesemann
VISITORS	Dale Bennett, <i>ACEC Ethics Committee</i> Alexander Fisher, <i>Probation Review</i> Art Barker, <i>Probation Review</i> Brett Michelson, <i>ACEC Ethics Committee</i>
MINUTES	Von Hill made a motion to approve the January Board Minutes. Kim Harris seconded the motion and all members voted in favor. Norman Bennion made a motion to approve the March Board Minutes as written. Von Hill seconded the motion and all members voted in favor.
INVESTIGATIONS Wayne Jeppson	Wayne Jeppson went through the investigative cases through the last two months along with the report of cases opened and closed from January 2008 until present and the

method of closure. Jeppson also went through a summary report for March and April.

Brett Michelson

Brett Michelson and Dale Bennett came before the board from the ACEC (American Council of Engineering Companies). They wanted some feed back on how they can do a better job of assisting the engineering community in general. Michelson indicated that they assist Wayne Jeppson in the review of investigative cases. They are also making a consumer affair booklet to reach out to building officials to make them aware of the current standards. The council also goes to schools and universities to present ethics in the classroom. It was suggested by the board to put in an application for the Education and Enforcement fund and the board will review it.

Testing

Meservy went through the Candidate Information Bulletin along with the list of Land Surveyor candidates who passed their exams. Von Hill stated they would like a further review on the test content.

Education and Enforcement Fund

The Education and Enforcement fund was reviewed with no action taken.

Western Zone Conference

Hill gave a summary on Western Zone Conference. It was suggested to modify to model law which is the uniformity between the states. In 2010 Salt Lake will be hosting the combined Central and Western Zone Meeting.

Vote on the National Meeting

Hill made a motion to send Jonathan Richards and Norman Bennion to go the National Conference which will be held August 13th to the 17th in Minneapolis MN. Gary Knighton seconded the motion and all members voted in favor. Dennis Meservy indicated that he also would be going. It was indicated by Hill that the state submit a brief report to the national meeting on the new changes for the Structural Engineer from a Title to a practice act and the list of all current board members. Meservy stated he would take care of that.

APPLICATION

The board went through the application for structural engineer. The board suggested that they will need more time to review the application then what was allocated in the meeting. This will be an agenda item for the next meeting. The board members are taking the application home to review.

STRUCTURAL ENGINEER

Meservy presented the letter that went out concerning the Structural Engineer License along with the affidavit to be signed by the licensee that would upgrade their license

from a Professional Engineer to a Structural Engineer and what this entails.

ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

Meservy presented proposed changes to the administrative rules. Under examination requirements for engineers and structural engineers, the NCEES PE and NCEES PLS examinations would require completion of three out of the four years of qualifying experience. Also, the NCEES Structural examination would require completion of two out of the three years of qualifying experience.

Under education requirements for land surveyors the education requirements were increased from 22 to 30 semester hours. Also, there was some rearrangement of required courses, but photogrammetry and calculus were added as acceptable courses of study. Hill made a motion to approve the rule changes. Bennion seconded the motion all members voted in favor.

DISCIPLINARY REVIEW

Compliance

Susan Higgs

Susan Higgs who is the compliance coordinator, presented a list of probationers who are on probation along with the dates that they will need to meet with the board. Higgs also explained her role along with the history of each probationer who appeared before the board in this meeting.

Alexander Fisher

Alexander Fisher came before the board for his probationary review. He was supposed to submit a quarterly report from his supervisor however this had not been done. The board indicated that it was Fisher's responsibility to make sure that the report was submitted. Fisher was also supposed to revise seven surveys. Fisher stated he had revised four surveys that were in the mail to his supervisor. It was the opinion of the board that Fisher had more than enough time to get the items completed. Fisher was not in compliance with his probation. Hill made a motion for an order to show cause. Harris seconded the motion and all members voted in favor. This will now go before a hearing.

Art Barker

Art Barker who is a Land Surveyor met with the board. Barker stated that he has done this work for 25 years. According to Barker, he filed a late plate which caused some confusion and put his license on probation. Barker stated that he has filed all surveys and is current. Barker has been in compliance with his probation. Bennion made a motion to take Barker off probation. Knighton seconded the motion all members voted in favor.

All business concluded meeting adjourned.

Note: This report is not intended to be a verbatim transcript, but is intended to record the significant features of what was discussed in the meeting. Discussed items are not necessarily arranged in chronological order.

(SS) Jonathan Richards
Jonathan Richards, Chairman Signature

Date: July 16, 2008

(SS) Dennis Meservy
Dennis Meservy, Bureau Manager Signature

Date: July 16, 2008